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REPORT.

Amount of taxes assessed in the town of Bow, for the year 1884, including school house tax in District No. 14, and committed to Rhodolphus Green for collection,	\$1,201 89
Dogs taxed,	69
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RECEIPTS.

Balance in hands of treasurer, March 1, 1884,	\$1,691 15
Received of State Treasurer—	
Railroad tax for 1884,	241 45
Savings bank tax,	1,428 57
Literary fund,	96 32
County of Merrimack, support of county paupers,	198 59
State Treasurer, bounties on woodchucks,	91 30
R. Green, collector of taxes for 1883, in full,	690 58
R. Green, collector of taxes for 1884.	1,125 00
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	\$5,562 96

EXPENDITURES.

Paid—State Treasurer, state tax,	\$956 00
County Treasurer, county tax,	940 70
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	\$1,896 70

School Money.

Paid—District No. 1,	\$69 87
District No. 2,	111 61
District No. 3,	31 10
District No. 4,	87 01
District No. 5,	50 75
District No. 6,	62 87
District No. 7,	59 42
District No. 8,	67 26
District No. 9,	47 83
District No. 10,	62 01
District No. 11,	68 30
District No. 12,	48 72
District No. 14,	101 62
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	\$918 37

Support of County Paupers.

Paid—J. H. Gallinger, for medicine, and attending Sally Foote,	\$41 25
I. M. Savage, groceries for Thomas J. Foote,	17 00
Whittemore & Reed, groceries for Thomas J Foote,	11 51
A. P. Fitch, medicine for Sally Foote,	1 00
C. G. Blanchard, dry goods for Sally Foote,	2 00
Joseph Chase, for medicine and attending Charles Morgan's family,	4 50
I. M. Savage, groceries for Charles Morgan,	4 00
Fred Reed & Co., groceries for Charles Morgan,	2 50
John Brown 2d & Son, wood for Charles Morgan,	4 50
James E. Brown, wood and potatoes for Charles Morgan,	7 09
James Grafton, for support of James Collins,	58 20
Shaw & Co., pair of pants for James Collins,	3 50
A. B. Farmer, for support of E. R. Morgan,	6 35
John Brown, 2d, for provisions and groceries for Eugene Bovine,	29 53

Paid—H. M. French, for medicine and attendance on Eugene Bovine's family,	10 50
John Brown, 2d, & Son, potatoes and wood, and hauling for Harris K. Frost,	6 75
I. M. Savage, for groceries for Susan Ordway,	3 16
H. P. Brown, wood for Charles Morgan,	2 50
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	\$215 84

Roads and Bridges.

Paid—Willeby Colby, for sharpening drills,	\$ 51
M. T. Lañd, plank for Turkey river and Bow brook bridges and culvert,	57 71
Mark Upton, for labor and material on culvert,	7 86
Mark Upton, for labor and material for bridge,	4 43
Lewis M. Brown, for labor and grade in 1883,	6 00
Alfred Davis, for labor on bridge and splitting stone,	\$7 65
John W. Goodhue, for working road machine in Districts Nos. 1, 2, 6, 10, 13, and 11, eight days,	16 00
Cyrus Colby, for labor on highway in District No. 6, in 1883,	7 83
H. K. Frost, labor in District No. 14,	12 15
George W. Short, for labor on highway in District No. 11,	2 15
R. M. Ordway, labor on highway in District No. 9,	5 86
Asa Morgan, for labor on highway in District No. 11,	5 95
Oren Stevenson, for labor on highway in District No. 14,	3 00
Nathan Stevens, labor on highway in District No. 2,	3 00
George W. Colby, for labor on highway in District No. 10,	1 50
Nathan H. Metcalf, for labor on highway in District No. 10,	51

Rhodolphus Green, for labor on highway in District No. 10,	\$1 50
Frank D. Clough, labor on highway, in Dist. No. 7,	5 50
Joseph Dow, labor on highway in Dist. No. 8,	12 00
Wm. D. Kimball, labor on road leading from Kimball's house to highway,	12 00
Geo. E. Willey, labor on bridge in Dist. No. 14,	7 00
Willeby Colby, sharpening tools,	50
Charles E. Berry, labor on Johnson road,	40 00
James C. Wheeler, labor on highway in Dist. No. 2,	4 50
B. W. Clough, to tending road machine in Dist. Nos. 5, 7 and 14, three days,	4 50
B. W. Clough, labor on highway, Dist. No. 2, nine days,	13 50
B. W. Clough, for ox work,	\$3 50
B. W. Clough, cutting bushes on highway in Dist. No. 5,	3 75
Charles H. Hadley, labor on highway in Dist. No. 12,	6 50
George C. Clough, labor on highway in Dist. No. 2,	5 25
John A. Heath, labor and bridge plank in Dist. No. 2,	5 35
John Brown, 2d, for labor and bridge plank, 1883,	4 50
John Brown, 2d, for labor with team an highway, in Dist. No. 14,	20 00
David A. Colby, for bridge plank,	1 72
B. A. Noyes, for bridge plank, in 1882 and '83,	40 29
Non-resident highway receipts,	122 81
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	\$456 78

Miscellaneous.

Paid—Mark Upton, for labor and material on house for road machine,	\$34 00
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Paid—F. J. Batchelder, printing town report for 1883,	\$19 00
James E. Brown, school-house tax in Dist. No. 14,	10 00
James H. B. Palmer, for watering tub on highway, 1883 and 1884,	6 00
David A. Colby, watering tub on highway, 1884,	3 00
Joseph G. Clough, watering tub on highway, 1884,	3 00
Alfred D. Burroughs, watering tub on highway, 1884,	3 00
R. Green, collector, for abatement of taxes for the year 1882, '83, and '84,	25 29
Frank D. Clough, driving hearse,	20 00
Repairs on hearse,	1 90
Chase & Streeter, retainer and services,	10 00
J. B. Sanborn, for books and stationery,	6 60
L. H. Carroll, postage stamps,	1 50
Selectmen, bounties on woodchucks,	91 30
Isaac White, land for grade,	35 00
Register of deeds, recording deed,	50
Heath & Tenney, for lamp for town house,	50
Campbell & Williams, for printing check-list,	4 00
Nathaniel H. Wheeler, damage to sheep by dogs, 1883,	14 00
Irad Colby, damage to sheep by dogs,	3 00
Samuel C. Clement, damage to sheep by dogs,	3 50
Cavis G. Brown, damage to sheep by dogs,	5 00
School-books furnished by s. s. committee,	2 00
George Tyler, road machine,	220 18
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	\$522 27

Town Officers' Bills.

Paid John W. Goodhue, for services as selectman,	64 50
Betton F. Smith, for services as selectman,	33 00
Byron W. Clough, for services as selectman,	37 50
Charles H. W. Carter, for services as supervisor,	9 00

Paid—Warren C. Saltmarsh, for services as supervisor,	\$6 75
Otis C. Noyes, for services as supervisor,	6 00
Henry K. White, for services as town treasurer,	15 00
Rhodolphus Green, town clerk.	16 00
Rhodolphus Green, collector of taxes,	50 00
F. Merriam, services s. s. committee,	45 00
Samuel C. Clement, auditor,	1 50
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	\$284 25

Town of Bow to John W. Goodhue, for services as selectman for the year ending March 1, 1885.

1884.		Dr.
March 16.	To addressing and delivering inventory blanks,	4 50
April 22.	To taking inventory, and making taxes,	24 00
26.	To time spent on highway in Dist. No. 4, and to Hooksett on town business.	2 00
27.	To Concord to have telephone poles removed,	1 50
May 1.	To making returns to secretary of state and state treasurer,	2 00
	To time spent in buying land for grade,	1 00
June 23.	To making and posting warrants,	1 00
July 1.	To recording taxes,	5 00
5.	At the town house to receive highway surveyor's warrants,	1 50
Sept. 19.	To time spent on Johnson road,	2 00
Oct. 18.	To making and posting warrants,	1 00
Dec. 2.	To Dunbarton on pauper case,	2 00
	To attending four jury meetings,	3 00
6.	To regulating jury box,	1 00
1885.		
January.	To time spent in making affidavits, getting certificates, and having Charles Morgan and Eugene Bovine adjudged county paupers,	3 00

January.	Time spent in adjusting and paying county pauper bills,	\$3 00
Feb. 3.	Settling with county commissioners,	2 00
20.	To making and posting warrants,	1 00
25 & 28.	To settling town accounts and making reports,	4 00

*Town of Bow to Betton F. Smith, for services as Select-
man for the year ending March 1, 1885.*

1884.		Dr.
March 14.	To preparing invoice blanks and deliver- ing same, one day and a half,	\$ 2 25
April 1.	To taking inventory and making taxes, 15 days,	22 50
23.	To delivering highway surveyors' war- rants, one day.	1 50
Sept. 22.	To drawing jurors,	75
Oct. 18.	To one-half day posting warrants for town meeting,	75
1885.		
Jan. 31.	To one day at Concord settling bills,	1 50
Feb. 20.	To posting warrants for town meeting,	75
25.	To one day settling town accounts,	1 50
28.	To one day with town Treasurer,	1 50

*Town of Bow to Byron W. Clough, for services as Select-
man for the year ending March 1, 1885.*

1884.		Dr.
March 13.	To preparing and delivering inventory blanks, three days,	\$4 50
April 22.	To taking inventory and making taxes, fifteen days,	22 50
24.	To one day delivering surveyors' warrants,	1 50
26.	To one day laying out road and buying land for grade,	1 50
June 23.	To posting warrants,	75

July 5.	To one day receiving surveyors' books,	\$1 50
Sept. 19.	To one-half day to get Johnson road repaired,	75
Oct. 18.	To posting warrant,	75
1885.		
Feb. 20.	To one-half day posting warrant,	75
25.	To one day settling town bills,	1 50
28.	To one day settling town bills,	1 50

There is now cash in the treasury amounting to	\$1,268 75
Due from R. Green, collector of taxes for 1884,	145 89
Due from Merrimack county for support of paupers since Feb. 1, 1885,	17 25
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	\$1,431 89
Due District No. 13,	\$62 26
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Balance in favor of the town,	\$1,369 63

JOHN W. GOODHUE,
BETTON F. SMITH,
BYRON W. CLOUGH,

Selectmen of Bow.

HENRY K. WHITE, *Town Treasurer.*

I, the undersigned, auditor of the selectmen's and treasurer's accounts for the year ending March 1, 1885, certify that I have examined said accounts, and find them correctly cast and properly vouched.

SAMUEL C. CLEMENT, *Auditor.*

REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDING SCHOOL COMMITTEE.

DISTRICT No. 1.

J. Ellis, Prudential Committee. In the summer term, Miss L. J. Bunten was employed, and in the winter term, Miss E. A. Tilton. Both of them rendered very valuable service in all respects.

DISTRICT No. 2.

Byron W. Clough, Prudential Committee. Miss L. Cora Clough was employed for both terms. This was her first attempt at teaching. If she ever does better, she must make very extra efforts. Her success was excellent for one so young in years, as well as in teaching.

DISTRICT No. 3.

T. M. May, Prudential Committee. Miss E. M. Jewell made her first attempt at teaching in the spring term, and though quite young, succeeded quite well.

For the fall term, Miss Luthera Wheeler was employed with more than her usual success. She succeeded in correcting some very bad faults which appeared in the reading classes, and in creating an uncommon enthusiasm in the different studies—one that continued after the close of the school.

DISTRICT No. 4.

W. C. Saltmarsh, Prudential Committee. Miss Ada A. Noyes made her first attempt at teaching in the summer term, and Miss M. Alice Saltmarsh was employed for the fall term. They rendered service of which no reasonable complaint could be made, and we are glad to say that as yet, we have heard of none.

DISTRICT No. 5.

S. Sargent, Prudential Committee. Miss G. A. Osgood taught this school one term of eleven weeks. Though apparently faithful, yet her success was only fair. There was a lack of enthusiasm, and some of the scholars read and recited in a tone of voice, far too low.

DISTRICT No. 6.

J. M. Colby, Prudential Committee. Mr. Colby employed two very good teachers, for two very short terms. Either of them, in a term of ten weeks, could have been of far more use to the school, than both of them could in two terms of six weeks each. Miss Jessie F. Adams, and Miss Mary E. Bennett, were the teachers.

DISTRICT No. 7.

W. H. Hammond, Prudential Committee. Miss S. E. Colby taught this school for over eleven weeks, with very marked success. Her labors seemed to be satisfactory every way.

DISTRICT No. 8.

S. Caswell, Prudential Committee. Miss Rosie Wooster spent nine weeks instructing this school, apparently, with entire success.

DISTRICT No. 9.

R. M. Ordway, Prudential Committee. Mr. J. C. Hammond has taught this school so many terms that he has made it one of the best, if not the best school in town, though they have but one term a year. More attention is given to the higher studies than in any other school. There is but one class in grammar that can compare with its class. The teacher, scholars, and we guess, the parents, work for good schools.

DISTRICT No. 10.

L. C. Goodhue, Prudential Committee. Miss S. E. Colby was engaged in this school for twelve weeks, but for some reason, her success was not so great as in District No. 7.

DISTRICT NO. 11.

George Short, Prudential Committee. Miss G. A. Osgood was employed for the summer term, and her success was satisfactory. The school appeared well. For the winter term Miss L. Wheeler was engaged, and where she presides there is no failure—order and success appear.

DISTRICT NO. 12.

E. A. Wetherbee, Prudential Committee. Mr. J. P. Brown was employed for seven weeks in the warmest of the weather. It is a marvel that he could do so well, with so small a school in such warm weather.

DISTRICT NO. 13.

L. Page, Prudential Committee. It is enough to say that Miss E. A. Tilton was engaged in this school for ten weeks. Money spent in the support of such a teacher, yields far more largely than it can to lay in the treasury of the town.

DISTRICT NO. 14.

A. H. Colby, Prudential Committee. Miss Rosie Wooster was employed for both terms with good success, especially, considering that about one-third of her scholars were foreigners, and could speak but few words of our language.

Most of the schools have been very good. Some have been far above the average. When a fair teacher, obedient pupils, parents, and friends work in harmony, a good school is inevitable.

The books introduced are Franklin's Readers, Harper's Geography, and Meservey's Book-keeping. The rest of the books should be made uniform as soon as convenient. Thus, the number of classes can be reduced, and much time saved. Time, patient endeavor and a little expense, will be of great use to our schools.

According to a recent law given us by our law-makers, those who teach must be prepared to give instruction "in physiology and hygiene, with special reference to the effects of alcoholic drinks, and narcotics upon the human system."

Some of the Registers have been so poorly kept, or filled out, that it has not been possible for me to make out my report to the School Commissioner according to law, or as is desirable. A word to the wise is sufficient.

ROLL OF HONOR.

This includes those whose attendance, deportment, or attention to their studies, deserve special mention :

No. 1.—Willie Berry.

No. 2.—Alice Colby, Annie Burroughs, Minnie Wheeler, Almon Wheeler, Perley Wheeler, Eddie Page.

No. 3.—Carrie May, Jennie Eastman, Freddie Dockray, Frank Alexander, Frank Morgan, Willie May, Nettie May, Burt Alexander, Charlie Butterfield, George Butterfield.

No. 4.—Frank Emery, Fred. Saltmarsh, Alice G. Emery, Eva May Noyes, Mamie Austin.

No. 5.—Eddie Brown, Addie Sargent, Morris Hartford, Ida Hartford, Walter Hartford, Henry Short, Maggie Short.

No. 6.—Lucinda M. Colby, Herbert C. Colby, Perley D. Colby.

No. 7.—Jennie M. Hammond, Charlie R. Virgin.

No. 8.—Eva A. Stevens, Irving Gray, Richard Stevens.

No. 10.—Willie G. Colby, Charlie S. Bangs, Willie H. Bangs, Sterlie E. Colby, Eva A. Stevens, Jennie M. Hammond.

No. 11.—Edwin S. Brown, Ed. Colby, Maggie M. Short, Hollis J. Morgan, Morris Hartford, Addie Sargent, Lizzie Hammond, Ida Hartford, Henry Short, Freddie Sargent, Sammie Sargent, Walter Hartford, Wallace Morgan, Edwin Colby, Stickney Short, Minnie Davis, Cora Colby.

No. 13.—Myra L. Page, Mabel Clough.

No. 14.—Arthur P. Davis, Freddie Dockray, Eva M. Colby, Regina Kimball, Minnie Brown, George Davis.

FRANKLIN MERRIAM,

Superintending School Committee.

Bow, N. H., March 2, 1885.

STATISTICAL TABLE.

DISTRICT.	TERMS.	NAMES OF TEACHERS.	NO. WEEKS OF SCHOOL.	WAGES PER MONTH.	NO. OF SCHOLARS.	AVERAGE ATTENDANCE.	NOT ABSENT.	NO. OF VISITS OF S. S. COM.	NO. OF VISITS OF P. COM.	NO. OF VISITS OF FRIENDS.
1	Summer.	Miss L. J. Buntin.	8	\$24.00	6	5	1	2		25
	Winter.	Miss E. A. Tilton.	10	24.00	13	11		2		
2	Summer.	Miss L. C. Clough.	8	22.00	14	10	4	4		39
	Fall.	Miss L. C. Clough.	10	23.00	12	10	6			
3	Spring.	Miss E. H. Jewell.	10	16.00						16
	Fall.	Miss L. Wheeler.	10	24.00	15	13	5	4	4	21
4	Summer.	Miss A. A. Noyes.	9	17.00	12	10	4			
	Fall.	Miss M. A. Saltmarsh.	10	20.00	11	11	2	4		7
5	Fall.	Miss G. Osgood.	11	20.00	19	15	7	4		
6	Summer.	Miss J. F. Adams.	6	20.00	9	8	2	2		
	Fall.	Miss M. E. Bennett.	5	20.00	8	7				
7	Fall.	Miss S. E. Colby.	11	20.00	10	9	1	2		7
8	Fall.	Miss R. Wooster.	9	24.00	10	8	3	2		14
9	Fall.	Mr. J. C. Hammond.	10	20.00	18	17	7	2	1	6
10	Winter.	Miss S. E. Colby.	12	20.00	12	13	6	2		44
11	Summer.	Miss G. Osgood.	7	20.00	19	14	14	4		
	Winter.	Miss L. Wheeler.	10	26.00						
12	Summer.	Mr. J. P. Brown.	7	25.00	14	10		2		
13	Fall.	Miss E. A. Tilton.	10	20.00	10	7	6	2		1
14	Summer.	Miss R. Wooster.	9	22.00	18	13	5	4	1	56
	Winter.	Miss R. Wooster.	8	22.00	19	16	4			



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